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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 02F-0160]

The Minute Maid Co.; Filing of Food Additive Petition

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that The Minute Maid Co. has filed a petition proposing that the food additive regulations be amended to provide for the safe use of Vitamin  $D_3$  in calcium-fortified fruit juices and fruit drinks.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (sec. 409(b)(5) (21 U.S.C. 348(b)(5))), notice is given that a food additive petition (FAP 2A4734) has been filed by The Minute Maid Co., c/o King and Spalding, 1700 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20006. The petition proposes to amend the food additive regulations in Part 172--Food Additives Permitted for Direct Addition to Food for Human Consumption (21 CFR part 172) to provide for the safe use of Vitamin D<sub>3</sub> as a nutrient supplement in calcium-fortified fruit juices and fruit drinks.

The agency has determined under 21 CFR 25.32(k) that this action is of a type that does not individually or cumulatively have a

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significant effect on the human environment. Therefore, neither an environmental assessment nor an environmental impact statement is required.

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